CA9806 4 Channel 1 ~ 15 Gb/s Bit Error Rate Tester

User Manual

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CA9806 4 CH 1 ~ 15 Gb/s Bit Error Rate Tester Mainframe

The UC INSTRUEMNTS CA9806 is a high performance, easy to use, all-in-one, costeffective, 4 CH 1 ~ 15 Gb/s Bit Error-Rate Tester(BERT) for current 40 G TOSA/ROSA components R&D and manufacturing environments as well as field installations. The CA9806 incorporates an internal reference clock, a pattern generator, clock recovery circuits, and a BER analyzer, in one compact module that provides both electrical and optical interfaces at data rates up to 17 Gb/s per channel. The CA9806 is offered with an USB interface.

The PPRBS outputs optical NRZ waveform with bit rate within $1 \sim 17$ Gbps, with settable data pattern of 2^7 -1, 2^9 -1, 2^{11} -1, 2^{15} -1, 2^{23} -1, 2^{31} -1, 2^{58} -1, and fixed 8, 16, 32, 64-bit user-defined pattern. The BERT system is controlled by external computer via a USB port, with full software support, drivers and programming guide for automation.



Figure 1 CA9806 Mainframe

Features

- Bit rates from $1 \sim 17$ Gb/s; 4 Channels
- PRBS 2^7 -1, 2^9 -1, 2^{11} -1, 2^{15} -1, 2^{23} -1, 2^{31} -1; 2^{58} -1; user defined pattern, and 8, 16, 32, 64bit definable
- Pre-emphasis output signal functionality
- 4 CH PPG and 4 CH Error Detector were integrated in one compact mainframe
- Computer control via USB
- Cost effective solution for production

Applications

- Testing of optical transceiver modules (CFP2, CFP4, QSFP28, SFP+, XFP, X2, Xenpak, XPAK), transponders, linecards, and subsystems
- Testing of opto-electronic components and devices (TOSA, ROSA, lasers, etc...)
- Testing of Gb/s ICs, PCBs, electronic modules, subsystems, and systems
- Serial bus and high-speed backplane design
- Installation testing and troubleshooting in optical transport networks



Specification

Absolute Maximum Ratings	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Notes
Storage Temperature	Ts	-20	-	70	°C	
AC Voltage Range	VAC	90	-	246	VAC	
AC Voltage Frequency Range	VFREQ	47	-	63	Hz	
Data RF and Clock Voltage Output	VOUT	-0.5	-	1.4	V	
Data RF Voltage Input	VinData	-0.5	-	1.8	V	
Clock In Voltage Input	VinClk	0	-	1.2	V	
USB Pin Voltage	VinUSB	-0.3	-	5.5	V	
RF and Clock ESD HBM	RFesdH	-1000	-	1000	V	
RF and Clock ESD CDM	RFesdC	-250	-	250	V	
RF, Clock and USB Latchup	VI	-100	-	100	mA	
USB ESD HBM	USBesdH	-2000	-	2000	V	
USB ESD CDM	USBesdC	-500	-	500	V	
Electrical Characteristics	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Notes
Case Temperature	Tc	5	-	45	°C	
AC Supply Current	Icc	0.75	100	-	mA	
Baud Rate (NRZ format)	BR	1	15	-	Gb/s	(Note 1)
Baud Rate Setpoint Accuracy	BRa	-10	-	+10	PPM	(Note 2)
Baud Rate PPM Offset	BRo	-999	-	999	PPM	1 PPM step size
Power On Initialization Time	Ton	•	-	15	Seconds	
Eye Phase Steps	EMp	1	-	64	Steps	2 pS per unit
Eye Amplitude Steps	EMv	-	-	128	Steps	7.8 mV per uni
Fixed Pattern Length	PL	-	-	64	Bits	
Note 1: Contact Factory for higher and	lower operation	on				
Note 2: Aging Temperature and Volt	age					

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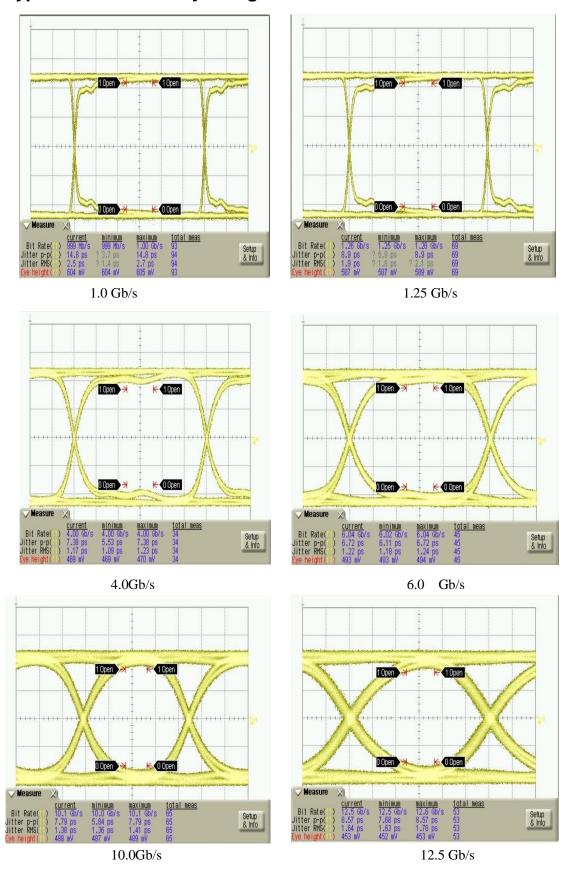
TX Electrical	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Notes
CML Output (Single Ended)	VoutSE	0	-	750	mVpp	AC Coupled
CML Output (Differential)	VoutDIFF	0	-	1500	mVpp	AC Coupled
CML Output (Differential) Step Size	VoutSS	-	25	-	mVpp	
CML Output (Differential) Squelch	VoutSqu	0	-	30	mVpp	
CML Output (Rise/Fall Time)	tR, tF	20	-	-	ps	20-80%
Output Impedance (differential)	Zout	-	100	-	Ω	
Termination Mismatch	TZm	-	-	5	%	At 1 MHz
AC common mode voltage	TACcm	-	-	15	mVRMS	
Differential Return Loss	SDD22	-8	-	-	dB	.01 to 10 GHz
		(Note 3)	-	-	dB	10 to 15 GHz
Common Mode Return Loss	SCD22	-6	-	-	dB	.1 to 10 GHz
		(Note 4)	-	-	dB	10 to 15 GHz

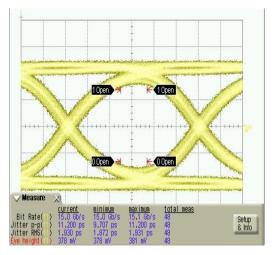


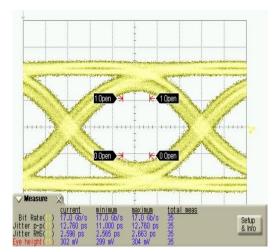
Note 6: Terminate clock output if not used

Transmitter Qsq	Tasa	50				
	Tqsq		_	1.5	-	(Note E)
Jitter (RMS)	TJrms			1.5	ps	(Note 5)
Jitter (PK-PK)	ТЈрр	-	-	8	ps	(Note 5)
Pre-Emphasis Control	TPE	-	17	-	dB	at 500 mVPPDIF
De-Emphasis Control	TDE	-	17	-	dB	at 500 mVPPDIF
Note 3: -8 dB + 16.6 dB/dec*log10(f/1) GHz)					
Note 4: -6 dB + 16.6 dB/dec*log10(f/10) GHz)					
Note 5: Agilent DCA-X with 50 GHz plu	g-in, 23-1 PRBS	pattern and 500 way	veforms using a preci	ision time base trigge	r	
RX Electrical	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Notes
Baud Rate Tolerance	BRt	-100	-	+100	PPM	
CML Input Voltage (Single Ended)	VinSE	100	_	800	mVpp	AC Coupled
CML Input Voltage (Differential)	VinDIFF	100	-	1600	mVpp	AC Coupled
Input Impedance (Differential)	Zin	-	100	-	Ω	
Termination Mismatch	RZm	-	_	5	%	At 1 MHz
AC common mode voltage	RACcm	-	-	25	mVRMS	
Differential Return Loss	SDD11	-12	-		dB	.01 to 2 GHz
		-8	-		dB	2 to 10 GHz
		(Note 3)	-		dB	10 to 15 GHz
Common Mode Return Loss	SCD11	-6	_	-	dB	.1 to 10 GHz
		(Note 4)	_	-	dB	10 to 15 GHz
CDR Acquisition Lock Time		-	_	300	mS	
			-		11.76	
Clock - Input	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Notes
Frequency	CFin	156,248,438	156,250,000	156,251,562	Hz	Square wave
Single Ended Voltage Swing	CVpp	0.4	-	1.2	V	
Input Impedance	CRin	49.5	50	50.5	Ohm	AC coupled
Rise/Fall Time	CitR, CitF	-	-	1	nS	20%-80%
Duty Cycle	CDC	40	-	60	%	<1nS Tr/Tf
Random Jitter (RMS)	CRj	-	-	1	ps	12 kHz-20 MHz
Clock - Output	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Notes
Programmable Divider of Line Rate	CPDLR	2	-	64	/N	Factors of 2
Single Ended Voltage Swing	CVoutSE	0	-	800	mVp	AC coupled
Squelch Voltage Output	CVsquelch	-	-	30	mVp	
Termination Mismatch	CZm	0	_	5	%	At 1 MHz
Rise/Fall Time	COtR, COtF	20	_	-	ps	20-80%
Ouptut Return Loss	CS22	-8		-	dB	
Jitter (RMS)	CJrms	-		750	fs	(Note 5)
Jitter (PK-PK)	СЈрр	-	-	3.5	ps	(Note 5)
Note 5: Using Agilent DCA-X with 50 GI		waveforms using a pi	recision time base tri	gger		

Typical Electronics Eye Diagram







15.0 Gb/s 17.0 Gb/s

Buld-in Eye Diagram Testing Function



8.5 Gb/s Eye Diagram



10.0 Gb/s Eye Diagram



15.0 Gb/s Eye Diagram

TX Fix Pattern Output

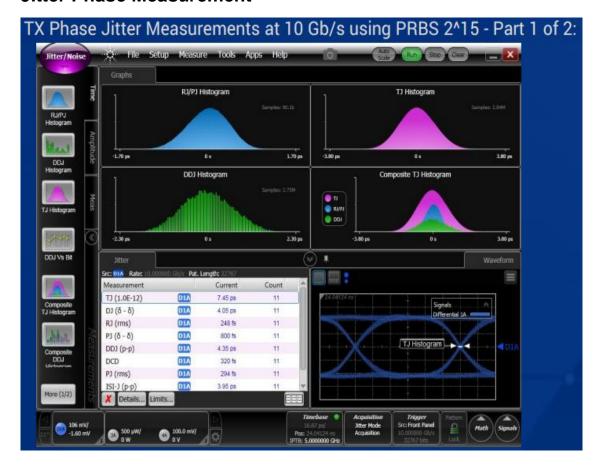


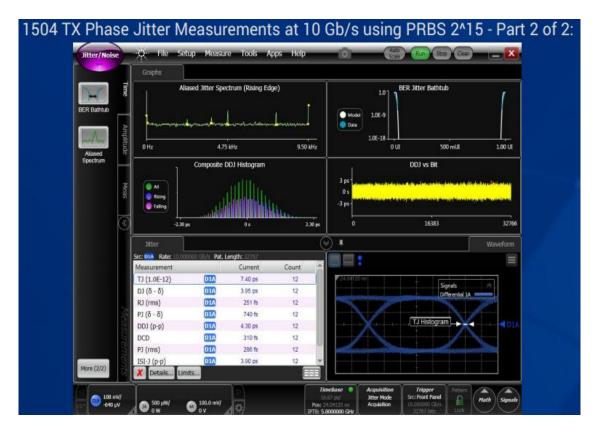
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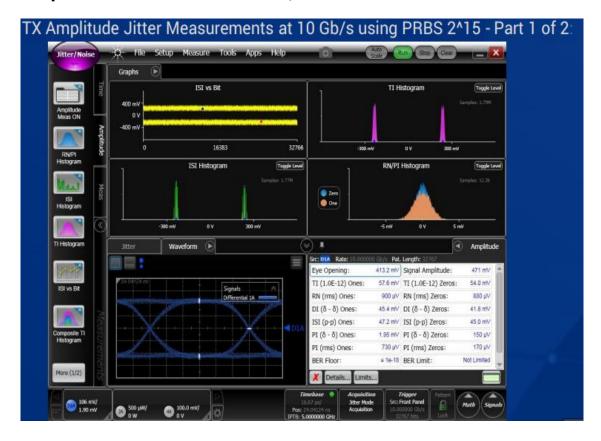
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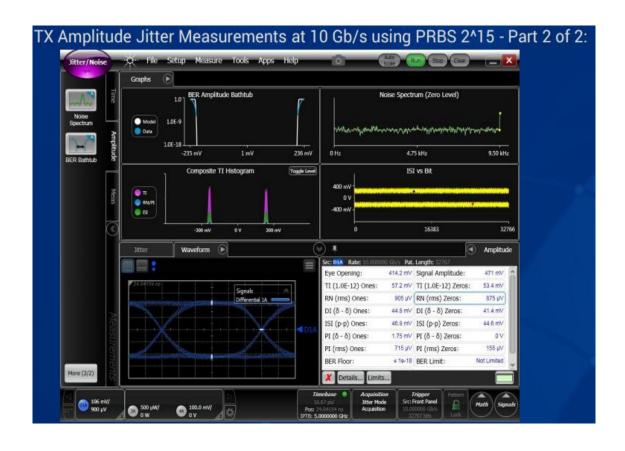
Jitter Phase Measurement



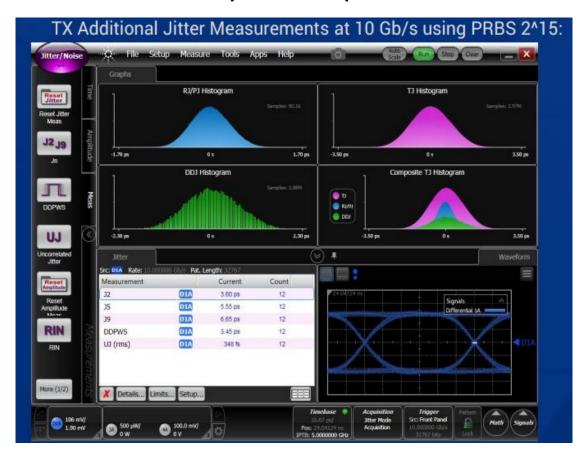


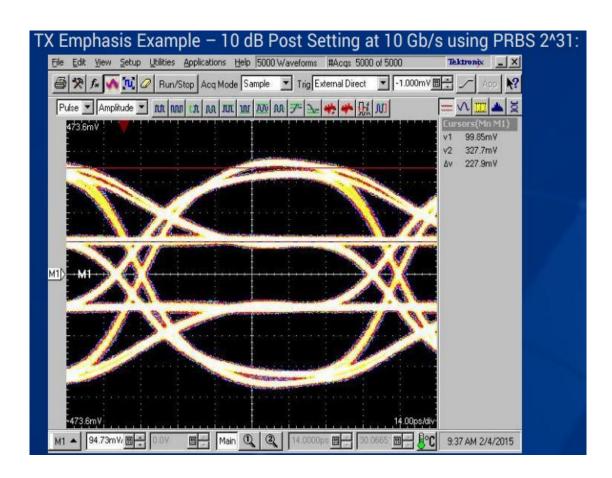
Amplitude Jitter Measurement;





Additional Jitter and Emphasis Example





Hardware connection:

1. Link CA9806 with computer by USB cable.





2. Connect AC-DC power adaptor with CA9806 module and wall power.



3. If you have Agilent 86100C and 83483A ready to test CA9806 SMA cable connection as below:

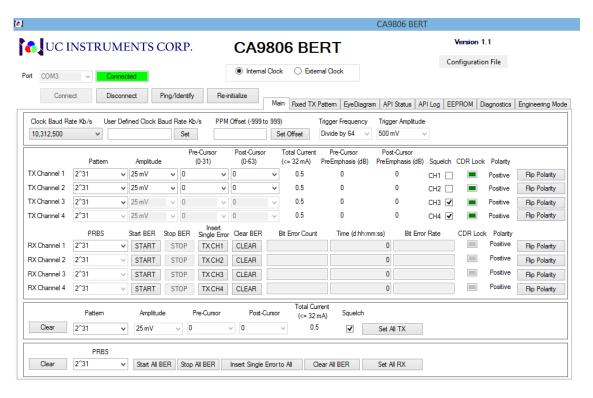








Software Interface

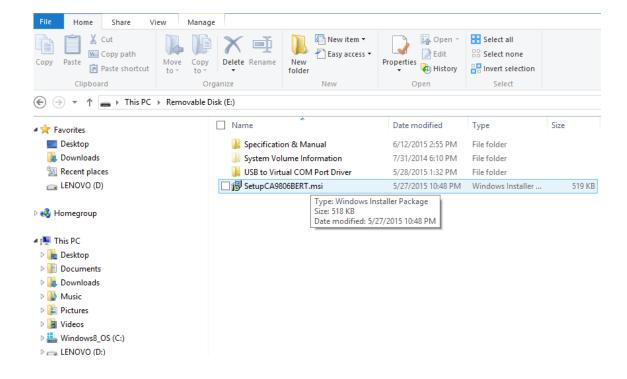


Accessories Included:

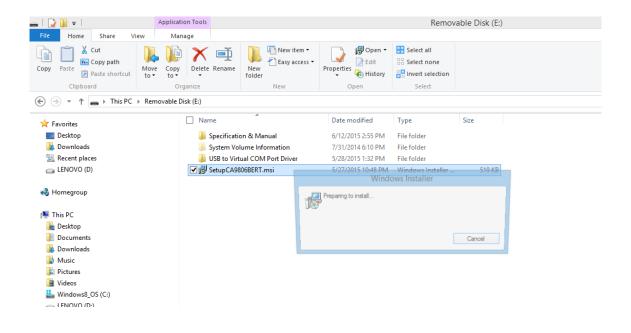
- · User Software GUI
- User Manual
- **AC-DC** Power Adapter
- PC Interface USB cable

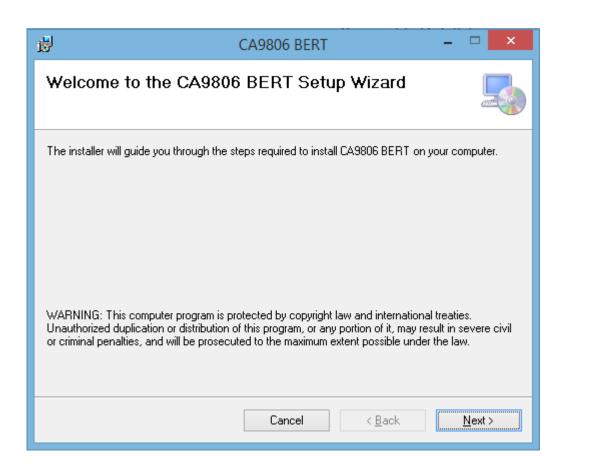
Installing the Software and Starting the Application

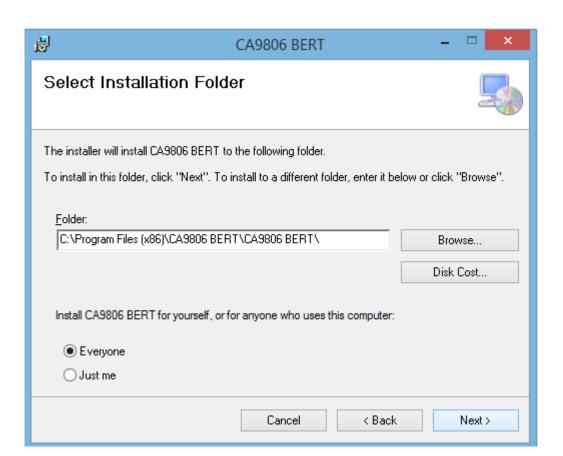
- 1. UC INSTRUEMNTS CA9806 provide an USB memory stick with CA9806 specification, user manual and user GUI software.
- 2. Plug the USB memory stick into one of computer USB port.
- 3. Find and double click "SetupCA9806BERT.msi" in the USB driver files, the application setup will be installed.

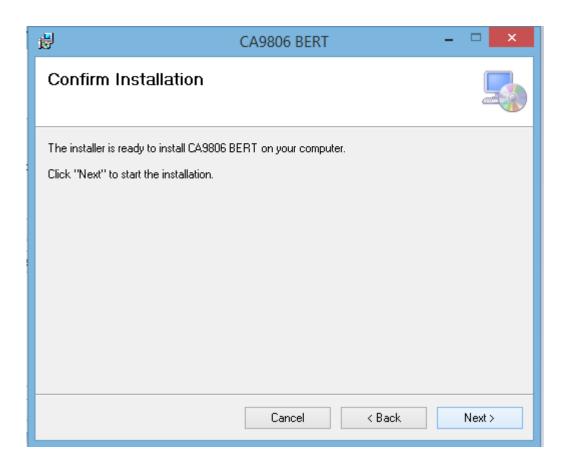


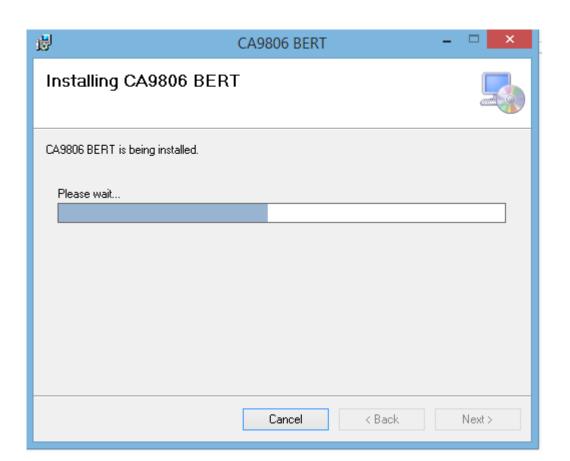


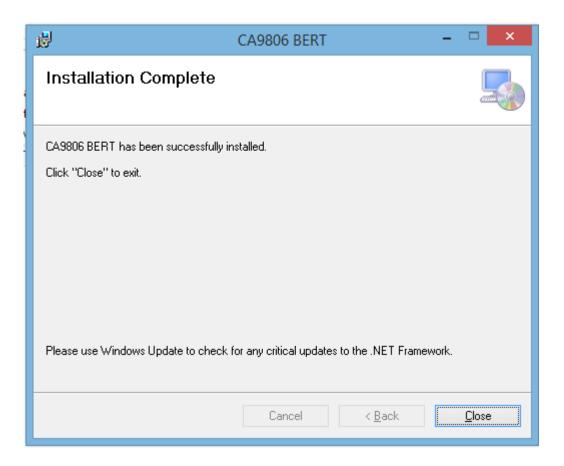




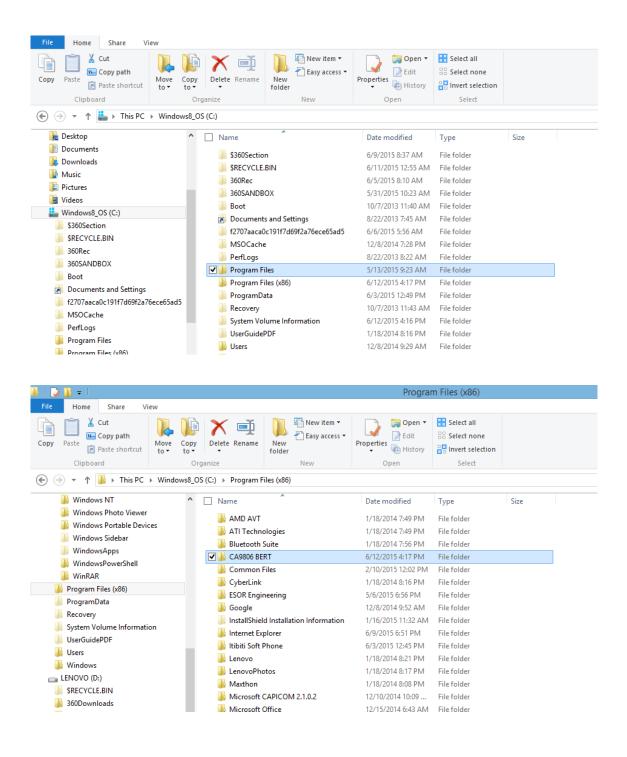


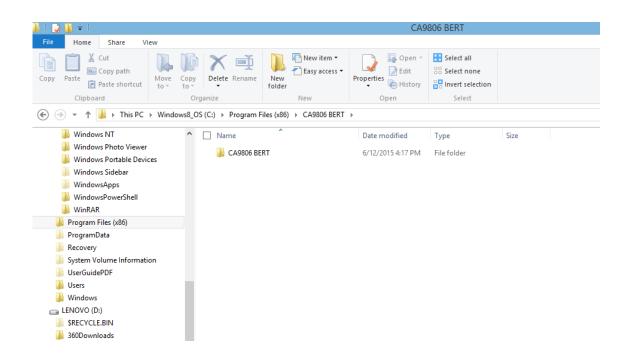


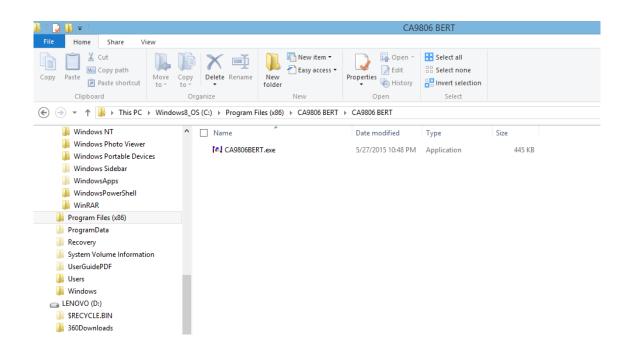




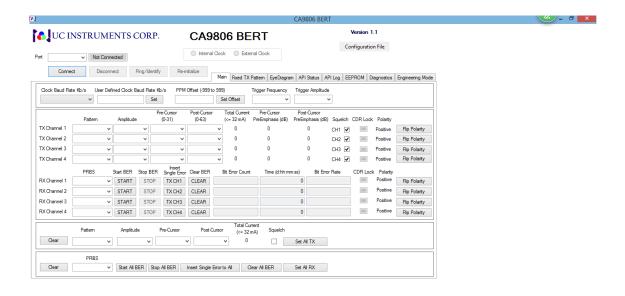
Go to:







Double click "CA9806BERT.exe" CA9806 GUI was installed and run as below:



- 4. If computer does not find the driver, go to "Control Panel"-->"Hardware and Sound"
 - -->"Devices and Printers"-->"Device Manger" to update USB driver.

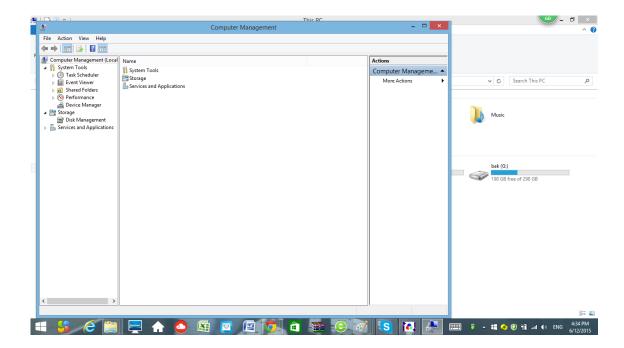
Got to USB stick "Driver" fold → "USB to Virtual COM Port Driver" → install Virtual COM port driver.

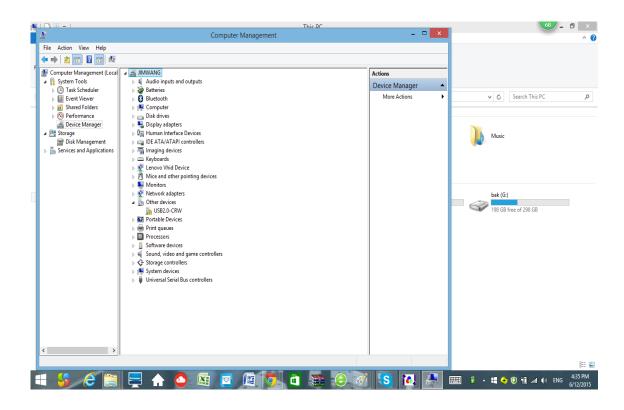
5. Click application "CA9806BERT.exe" file to run the application.

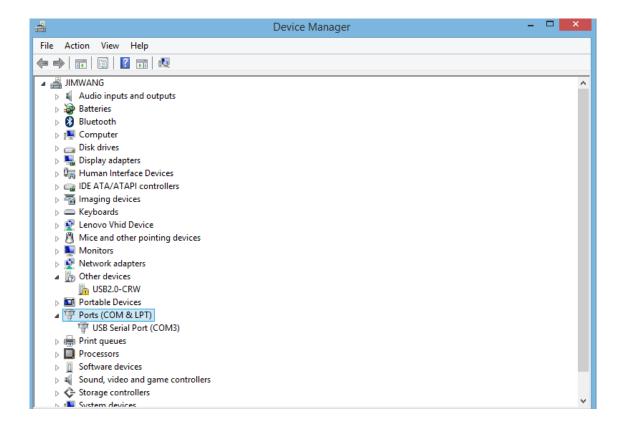
GUI Interface:

1. Find USB communication port;

After all hardware connected and CA9806 was installed in computer, Power on CA9806 BERT and Agilent 86100C mainframe. Go to "Computer Management" page to find USB port #:





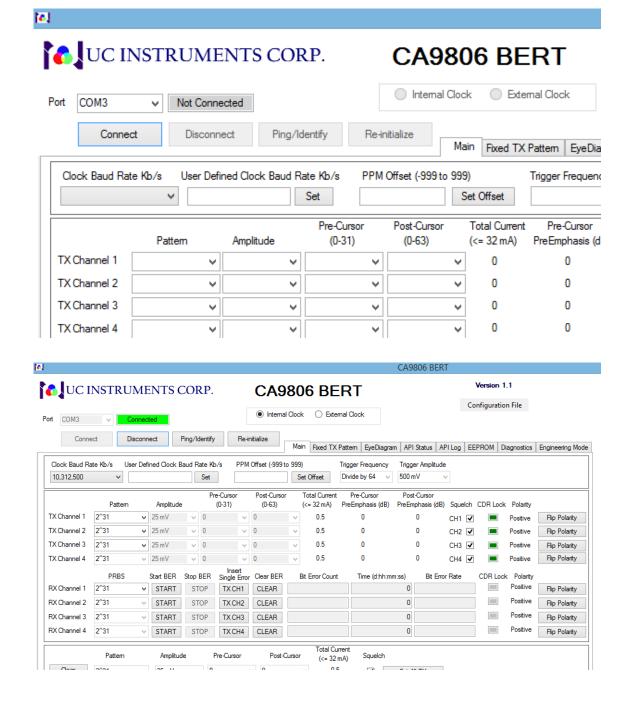


If you find above pictures' USB port location, the CA9806 software was installed and USB port was found.

If you cannot find above USB port information, you need go back to reinstall USB driver.

2. USB communication port connect

Go to CA9806 main manual, fill in USB communication port into USB port # and click connect, you will see CA9806 front panel right side LED blinking from yellow to green. That means CA9806 connected with computer GUI. CA9806 GUI port set from Not Connected changed into Connected and turn to green color.



3. Main manual function.

After USB build up connection with computer GUI, we can start use CA9806 to generate PPG signal.

PPG Clock output Baud Rate set up

Go to "User Defined Clock Baud Rate Kb/s" box, fill in the clock baud rate you want and click "set", you will see CA9806 front panel right side LED blinking from yellow to green, and the clock baud rate was set to your want. CA9806 clock baud rate can be set from 1 G to 17 G and rate.

Trigger Frequency Setup:

Click "Trigger Frequency" pull up menu, you can see "Divide by 2, 4, 8, ... 64". We prefer default select "Divide by 64". This will cause the smallest jitter.

Trigger Amplitude:

Click "Trigger amplitude" pull up menu, you will see the trigger out amplitude from 0 mV to 800 mW. We prefer customers select 500 mW for normal application.

TX Channel port active:

On main menu page, there are 4 Channel TX and 4 Channels RX set up check. Each CA9806 BERT with 4 channels TX ports.

Click "Squelch" check mark to select which TX channel active user want and the TX was unlocked.

PPG Pattern Mode Select:

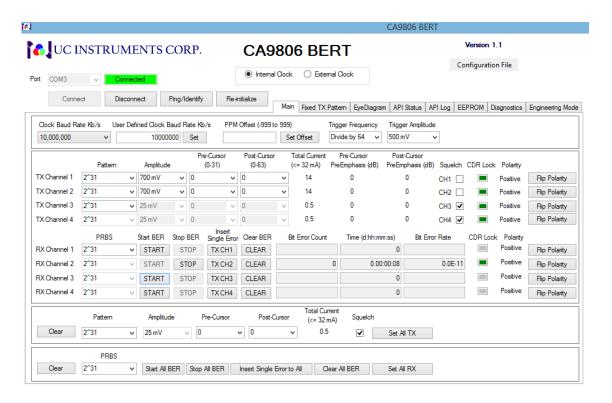
Click TX channel "Pattern" pull up menu, customers can select PRBS 2^7 -1, 2^9 -1,

$$2^{11}$$
-1, 2^{15} -1, 2^{23} -1, 2^{31} -1; 2^{58} -1, Fixed Pattern that customers want.

PPG Amplitude

Click TX channel "Amplitude" pull up menu, customers can select 25 mV, 50

mV, ...500 mV, ...700 mV, ... 1600 mV, very big range. Normally customer select 700 mV output. CA9806 can provide $25 \sim 1600$ mV very broad high output signal.



TX channels also provide "Pre-cursor", "Post-cursor", "CDR Lock",

Polarity" select function.

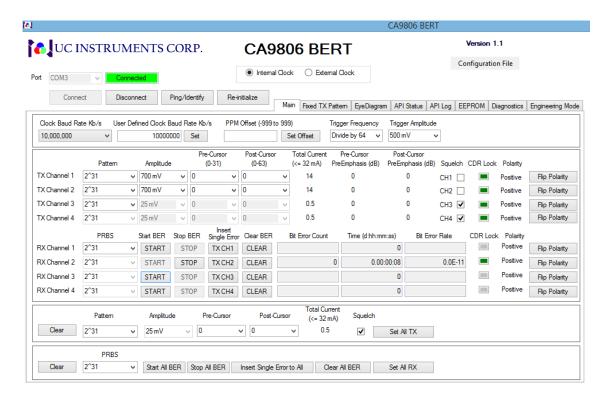
Error Detector

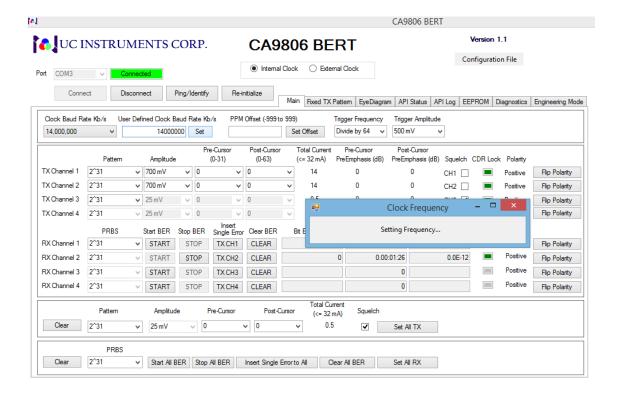
In order to perform error detector function, normally need loop back TX signal to RX port.

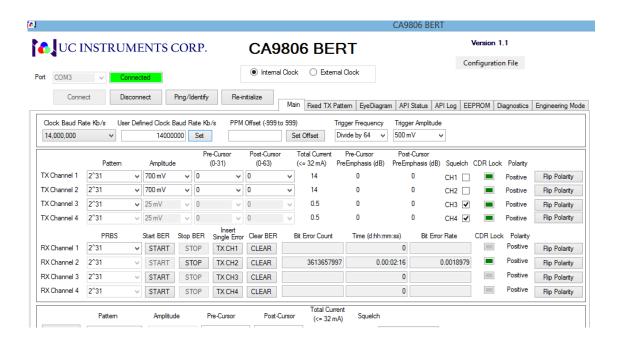
After you loop back any channel TX signal to error detector(with or without DUT), click the RX channel "START" menu, Error detector start testing and "Bit Error Count", "Time", "Bit Error Rate" start work and show up testing data.

When you change TX clock baud rate, the CA9806 reset the setup parameters, customers need click the RX "STOP" menu, "CLEAR" menu to clear old data. Re-click "STSRT" menu, the new ERROR detector testing data will be updated.

On the bottom Main menu, there are also provide "Set All TX" and "Set All RX" menu function to quick set all 4 channels TX and RX parameters quickly.









4. Build-in 8.5 ~ 15 Gbps Eye Diagram Function

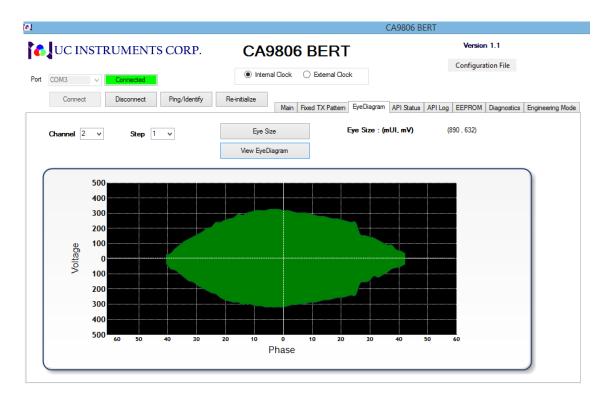
CA9806 provide a special build-in $8.5 \sim 15$ Gbps eye diagram function. Customers can use it to verify $8.5 \sim 15$ Gbps DUT eye diagram performance.

Loop back TX channels with RX channels (or connect after DUT unit RX), Switch "Main" menu to "EyeDiagram" menu. Select the "Channel" (Channel $1 \sim 4$ selectable). Select "Step" (there are Step options 1, 2, 4, 8. The step 1 is the

lowest speed and the highest resolution testing. Step 8 is the most fast and the lowest resolution testing).

Click "Eys Size" menu, to get testing range;

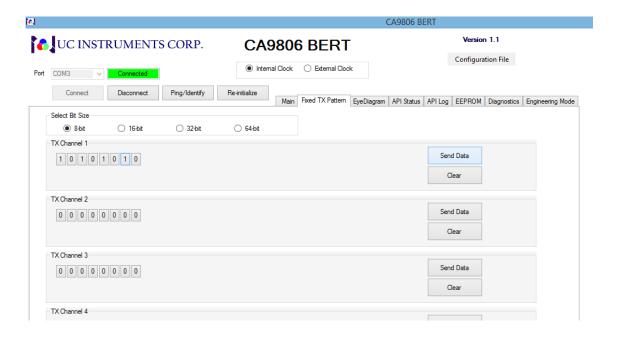
Click "View EyeDiagram", start to perform eye-diagram testing.



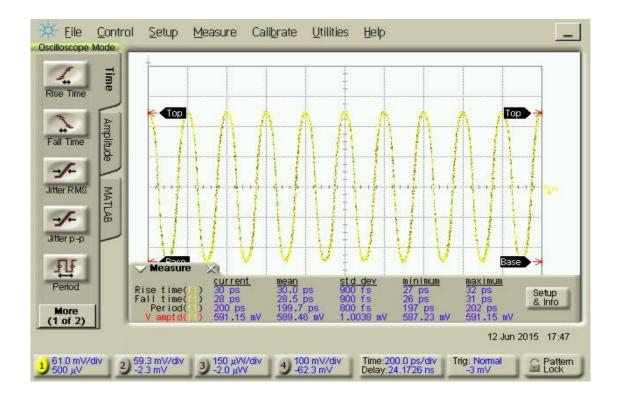


5. Fixed TX Pattern Function

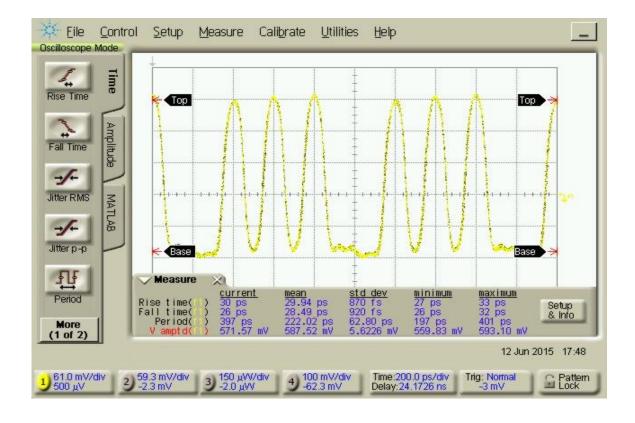
On "Main" menu, we select TX Channel 1 Pattern mode as "Fixed Pattern". Switch the "Main" menu to "Fixed TX Pattern" interface. Set "Select Bit Size" as 8 bit.



Set TX Channel 1 bit size as "10101010". Click "Send Data", we can get fixed TX pattern from Agilent 86100A + 83483A module screen as below:



Set TX Channel 1 bit size as "10100010". Click "Send Data", we can get fixed TX pattern from Agilent 86100A + 83483A module screen as below:

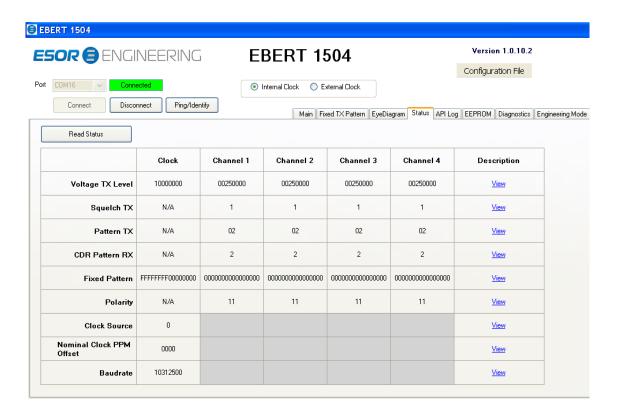


CA9806 Fixed TX Pattern function makes CA9806 as a 4 channels output 0.5 ~ 8.5 GHz signal generator.

6. Others Function

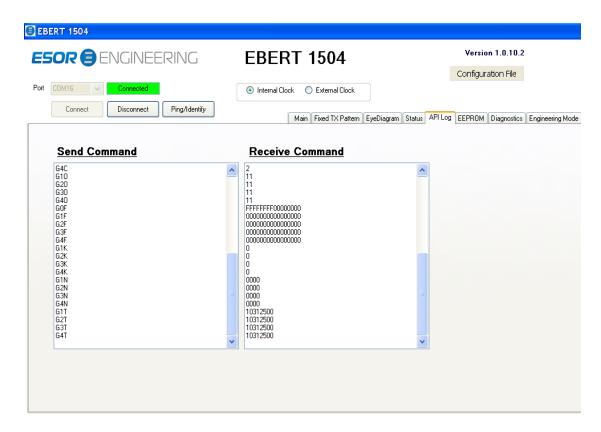
Status Control

- a. Status control tab
- b. Read status of all control settings using the API command set
- Click on the description link to find out the API command set for each line item.



API Control

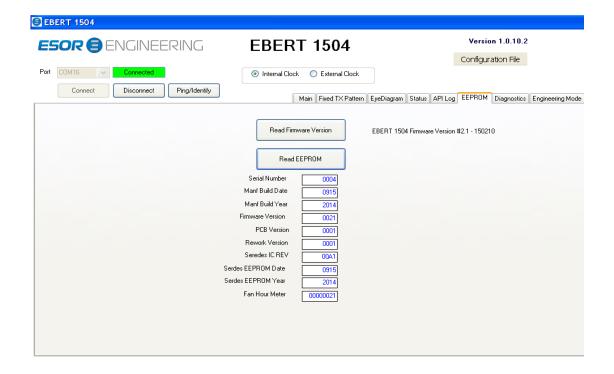
- a. API control tab
- b. View all API commands that have been sent and received to the 1504 unit, used for getting familiar with the API structures





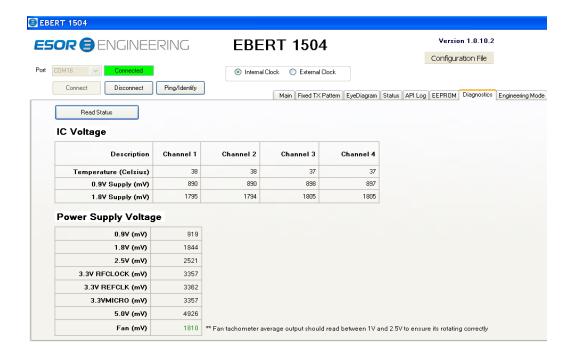
EEPROM control tab

- a. Read firmware version button
- b. Read Factory EEPROM contents and fan hour meter



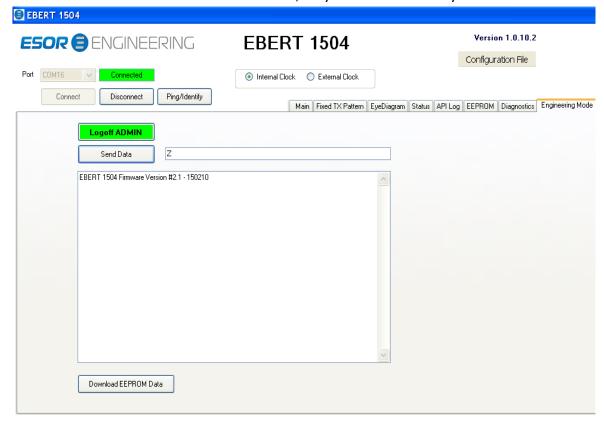
Diagnostics Control Tab

- a. Read status botton
- b. Power supply voltage rails of the system and fan rotation



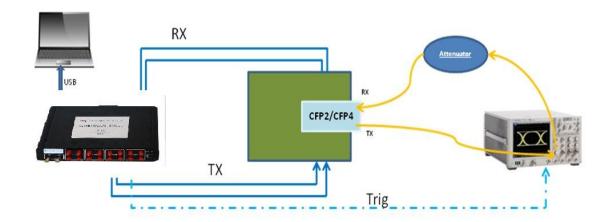
Engineering control tab

- a. Send API commands, warning as you are in master mode and the GUI won't be in synchronization with the commands being sent
- b. Download EEPROM contents, only used at the factory

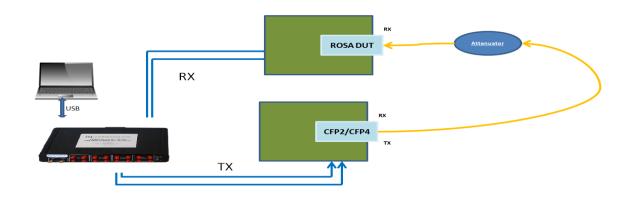


Typical Test Application and Connecting

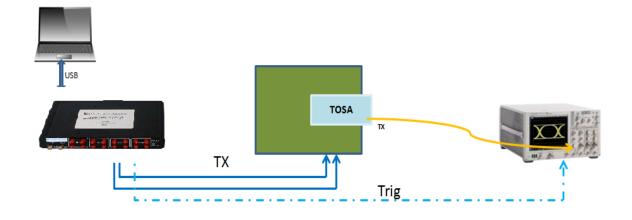
CFP2/CFP4/QSFP14 module Test Diagram



CFP2/CFP4/QSFP14 ROSA Test Diagram



CFP2/CFP4/QSFP14 TOSA Test Diagram



Flexible Reconfiguration

Three sets CA9806 can be integrated into to a 12 X 15 Gbps(180Gbps)

Testing system

Claims and Repackaging

If physical damage is evident or if the instrument does not meet specification when received, notify the carrier and the UC Instruments Corp. Maintenance Service Center. The Maintenance Service Center will arrange for repair or replacement of the unit without waiting for settlement of the claim against the carrier.

Return Shipments to UC Instruments Corporation

If the instrument is to be shipped to a UC Instruments Corp. Maintenance Service Center, attach a tag showing owner, return address, model number and full serial number and the type of service required.

The original shipping carton and packing material may be reusable, but the UC Instruments Corp. Maintenance Service Center will provide information and recommendation on materials to be used if the original packing is no longer available or reusable.

General instructions for repackaging are as follows:

- Wrap instrument in heavy paper or plastic.
- Use strong shipping container.
- Use enough shock absorbing material around all sides of the instrument to provide a firm cushion and prevent movement inside container. Protect control panel with cardboard.
- Seal shipping container securely.
- Mark shipping container FRAGILE to encourage careful handling.



In any correspondence, refer to instrument by model number and serial number.

Maintenance

- Avoid sharp vibration when operation.
- Keep the head face of sensor clean.
- Cover the channel adaptor on the front panel with the dust cap.
- Don't forcibly push or drag the connector out of the adaptor of CA9806.
- Be careful for crash and fall-off.

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